

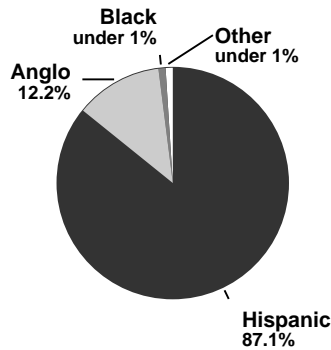
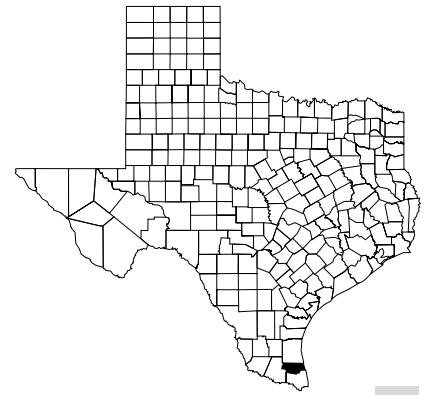


Selected Facts for Willacy County - 1997

Demography

Estimated Population: 19,332
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 116

Population Per Square Mile: 32.4
Area in Square Miles: 597



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	Percent
0 - 4	946	1,055	2,001	10.4 %
5 - 14	1,603	1,732	3,335	17.3 %
15 - 44	4,353	4,195	8,548	44.2 %
45 - 64	1,712	1,440	3,152	16.3 %
Over 64	1,342	954	2,296	11.9 %
Total	9,956	9,376	19,332	100.0 %

County	51.5 %	48.5 %
State	50.5 %	49.5 %

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Unemployment Rate	22.1 %	5.4 %
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	2,017	600,128
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	7,484	2,117,429
Average Monthly Medicaid Eligibles ¹	5,747	1,934,199

Medicaid (Title XIX)

	County	State
Medicaid Expenditures ²	\$ 16,364,067	\$ 7,140,044,803
Unduplicated Count of:		
Medicaid Recipients	7,095	2,537,207
Medicaid Clients Served:		
Physicians Services	5,935	1,953,183
Inpatient Hospital Services	1,069	492,235
Outpatient Hospital Services	2,871	1,093,265
Prescribed Medications	5,909	1,988,060
Family Planning Services	399	196,762
THSteps (EPSDT) Checkups	3,246	1,069,257

Nativity

	Number ³	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	404		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	36	8.9 %	6.7 %
Unmarried Mothers	113	28.0 %	30.7 %
Low Birth Weight ³	19	4.7 %	7.3 %
Late or No Prenatal Care ³	89	22.1 %	21.5 %
Fertility Rate ⁴	County: 92.8	State: 74.9	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Number	RATE ⁴	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	1	---	10.2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	3.5
Gonorrhea	6	---	136.9
Chlamydia	70	362.1	260.7
AIDS	1	---	24.3
Measles	0	---	---

Mortality

	Deaths ³	RATE ⁴	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	116	375.1	515.9
Cardiovascular Disease	49	140.7	187.4
Heart Disease	33	95.6	145.8
Stroke	14	---	30.9
All Cancer	20	---	125.9
Lung Cancer	2	---	38.2
Female Breast Cancer	1	---	18.5
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	8	---	22.8
Diabetes	7	---	17.8

	Deaths ³	RATE ⁴	
		County	State
Infant Deaths	2	---	6.4
Fetal Deaths ³	0	---	5.9
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	3	---	33.6
Motor Vehicle Injury	2	---	18.9
Work-related Injury	1	---	2.2
Homicide	1	---	7.9
Suicide	1	---	10.7

¹ For 1997, unduplicated counts of Medicaid eligibles were not available.

² Excluding Disproportionate Share Hospital payments.

³ All births and deaths are by county of residence. Low birth weight represents live-born infants weighing less than 2,500 grams at birth. Late prenatal care refers to mothers who did not receive prenatal care during the first trimester of pregnancy. Fetal deaths are those occurring after 20 weeks gestation and prior to birth.

⁴ Fertility rates are per 1,000 women ages 15 - 44. Infant death rates and fetal death rates are per 1,000 live births. Work-related injury death rates are per 100,000 population. The remaining death rates have been age-adjusted to the 1940 U.S. standard population per 100,000 population. Communicable disease rates are also per 100,000 population. Rates and percents have not been calculated if 20 or fewer births, deaths or cases occurred, as indicated by "---".

Health Professionals

	County	Statewide
Direct Patient Care Physicians10		27,817
Ratio of Population per Direct Care Physician.....1,933		699
Ratio of Population per General/Family Practice.....3,222		3,892
Ratio of Population (Females 15-44) per ob/gyn.....0		2,384
Registered Nurses43	141,129	
Ratio of Population per Registered Nurse.....450	138	
Dentists2	8,191	
Ratio of Population per Dentist.....9,666	2,373	
Participating Medicaid Physicians10	9,893	

Health Facilities

Acute Care Hospitals0
Licensed Beds.....0
Staffed Beds.....0
Disproportionate share hospital payments.....\$ 0
Nursing Homes1
Licensed Beds.....120

All of Willacy County was designated as a Health Professional Shortage Area and as a Medically Underserved Area as of December 1998. For updated information please contact the Health Professions Resource Center at 512-458-7261 or at <http://www.tdh.state.tx.us/dpa/>.

Texas Department of Health Program Summary for Willacy County

Chronically Ill and Disabled Children's Services²

Eligible children.....	.72
Children served.....	.17
Amount paid.....	\$ 15,815

Dental Health Services²

Children receiving dental care.....	0
Children provided with dental education.....	.211

Emergency Medical Services

Ambulances permitted.....	4
EMS personnel certified.....	55

Food and Drug Safety

Facilities licensed, registered, permitted or accredited.....	.87
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Immunization Division

Vaccine doses administered (less than age 20).....	9,017
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Radiation Control Program

Health related permits issued.....	.6
Certified mammography locations.....	0

Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program¹

Mammograms performed.....	109
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Milk and Dairy Products Division

Establishments regulated.....	0
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Primary Health Care/COPC Services²

Reported clients served.....	0
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Kidney Health Care²

ESRD patients receiving life-sustaining treatments.....	.30
Estimated cost of treatments.....	\$ 56,844

Tuberculosis Elimination Division¹

TB cases completing drug therapy.....	1
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Women, Infants, and Children's Nutrition²

Clients receiving benefits.....	.2,707
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Zoonosis Control

Number of animals diagnosed positive for rabies.....	.3
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¹Data are reported by county of location of the provider.

²Data are reported by county of residence of the client.